

the Village of Willow Springs

Spring 2011 1892



On Feb. 25, local resident Jack Wilson turned 100. A favorite around town, Jack still drives, handles his own affairs quite nicely, and regularly keeps the rest of us “youngsters” in line with his observations. The Village honored Jack with a Resolution proclaiming Feb. 25, 2011 as “Jack Wilson Day” in Willow Springs. Jack was similarly honored by the Illinois General Assembly, the Cook County Board, and had his achievement read into the Congressional Record in Washington, D.C.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who took part in the celebration of our father's 100th Birthday, from the signs in front of businesses, the cards, phone calls, etc. It means so very much to all of us and especially to our dad. A very special thank you to the Village of Willow Springs for honoring of dad on Thursday, Feb. 24th.

Adena – you are the BEST! We appreciate all you did to promote dad's birthday and we know it was heartfelt. Thank you so very much for being such a great friend to all of us. You're pretty special yourself!

- The family of Jack Wilson

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Neighbor to Neighbor



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I am proud to announce the formation of another example of how residents of Willow Springs come together to help and support their community.

The Willow Springs Family Relief Fund began last summer with funding through the Village's Annual Benefit Car Show. Each year the Benefit, always held the 1st Thursday in August, has successfully helped deserving people in our community. The idea behind forming a Relief Fund is to expand that assistance to reach as many residents as possible now and in the future.

The Village Board formally adopted guidelines and funding mechanisms for the Fund early this year. This ensures that no taxpayer dollars will be spent on the Fund and monies received through fund-raisers such as the Car Show will continue to support as many projects as possible. Proceeds will be held in a separate fund and expenditures are subject to approval at public Board meetings. The fund is to be reviewed by outside auditors in the same manner as other Village funds are examined during our annual audit.

The Relief Fund advisory committee is comprised of representatives of local and township government, the school and business communities. Each entity plays an

important role in our community; every day each sees local residents sometimes struggling to provide the basics for their families.

In the Spring newsletter you will see how some of the initial dollars of the Fund have been put to use to help resident Jimmy Gross. More than the dollar amount, the spirit of volunteerism involved in that project is something our whole town can be proud of and aim to adopt.

While the Car Show funded the Relief Fund startup, even after the event checks have been donated in large and small amounts from residents who are fortunate and generous enough to be able to help out.

What fuels the Willow Springs Benefit Car Show starts with putting on a great show for the community; what drives the event is helping those in need. Now in its fourth year, the Benefit is organizing sponsors and volunteers to once again successfully complete its mission. Please consider how you can help, if you are able. I look forward to working with you on this worthwhile event and remind you to please attend the Saturday, May 7, "Coffee with the Mayor" at the Village Hall from 9 until noon.

Kindest Regards,



Alan

Village Moves Closer to Sidewalks on German Church

Plans to construct sidewalks along German Church Road and Wolf Road moved forward last month as the Village Board approved spending up to \$40,000 for added construction details requested by Federal transportation officials.

Village staff, IDOT and Federal Highway officials met in January to finalize plans for construction which possibly could begin at the end of summer or next spring.

Mayor Alan Nowaczyk said the Village Board remains firmly behind constructing the sidewalks to improve the safety of local school children.

"It certainly is a great program and will benefit safety near both schools," the mayor said.

In the initial phase, sidewalks will be installed on Wolf Road from Stratford Drive to German Church Road. From there they will continue on the south side of German Church Road, east to Willow West Drive. Children would cross German Church Road at School Street, on which sidewalks would be installed on the west side of the roadway.

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In August 2009, the Village was awarded grant monies-- \$152,280 and \$247,250 for two separate projects-- through the Federal Safe Routes to School program. Dollars are allocated by the Federal Government and administrated by state transportation departments, such as IDOT, to provide safe paths for children to walk and bike to school and encourage healthful habits.

While SRTS provides 100 percent funding for the projects it awards, the Village has incurred unfunded engineering costs and an most recently the \$40,000 commitment required by Federal officials to shore up omissions in the original grant application submitted in 2008. Committees comprised of local school parents, school and government officials successfully completed the application process, but did not include budgeting for construction engineering and design. Plans near both schools have undergone several design changes requested by state and federal highway engineers, which has delayed the onset of construction.

A second phase of sidewalks will install a pathway toward Willow Springs School on the south side of the Village. Plans there have yet been completed and have been challenged by the forested terrain and drainage issues.



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CMS Publishing:
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Restaurant708-839-8000

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Dentist708-839-9636

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2011 Calendar of Willow Springs Events

When	Time	What	Where
March 8	7 p.m.	Tax Outreach (Appeal Your Tax Bill)	Community/Senior Center
March 26	8 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Pancake Breakfast	Community/Senior Center
April 1	9 - 5 (2nd/4th Th 11-7)	Vehicle Stickers on Sale	Village Hall or By Mail*
April 5	6 a.m. - 7p.m.	Election Day Bake Sale	Community/Senior Center
April 9	10 a.m.	Annual Easter Egg Hunt	Community/Senior Center
April 16	10 a.m.	Little League Parade	Archer Avenune at Old Willow
April 30	10 a.m.	Soccer (Pre-K thru 4th) Thru May 22	Lions Park
April 30	9 a.m. - noon	Let's Clean Willow Day	Public Works
May 7	9 a.m.	Coffee with the Mayor	Village Hall
May 9	Mondays (North WS)	Branch Pick Up Begins	North of the River
May 10	Tuesdays (South WS)	Branch Pick Up Begins	South of the River
May 28	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Chili Cook Off - Music and Food Festival	Village Center
May 30	11 a.m.	Memorial Day Ceremony	Archer and WS Road
June 4	10 a.m.	Children's Fishing Derby	Healing Waters Pond
June (TBA)	7 p.m.	Concert in the Park	Lions Park
June 11/12	8 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Village Wide Garage Sales	Village Wide
August 4	4 p.m. - 9 p.m.	4th Annual Benefit Car Show	Village Center
September 8	6:30 p.m.	9-11 Ceremony	Village Center
September 10/11	TBA	A River Through History (Rendezvous)	Columbia Woods
October (TBA)	TBA	Branch Pick Up Ends	Village Wide
October (TBA)	TBA	Leaf Pick Up Begins	Village Wide
October (TBA)	TBA	Oktober Fest	Lions Park
November (TBA)	TBA	Lioness Ladies Night Out	(TBA)
November (TBA)	TBA	Lions Club Las Vegas Night	Royalty West
November (TBA)	TBA	Leaf Pick up ends with first snow fall	Village Wide
December 3	Noon	Children's Christmas Party (tentative date)	Willowbrook Ballroom

Committees now forming for all Village Events. Call Adena: 708-467-3700

Senior Club

The Willow Springs Senior Club meets at 10:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Senior/Community Center at 8156 Archer Avenue. The meeting begins at 11:00 a.m. and is followed by a catered lunch, raffle and bingo. The club is open to any village resident over the age of 55.

Our November bake sale was a great success with all the baked goods sold before 5 p.m. We would like to thank all who helped, the bakers and those who purchased the bakery. The accompanying raffle was also a success and the proceeds from that will be used to purchase new books for the book swap.

The book swap is open to any adult village resident. It is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Stop in and pick up a few. There is nothing like spending these winter months with a good book when we are unable to get out.



We held our election of officers at the November meeting. Since there were no nominations from the floor, the current board will serve for another year. The officers are Maria Barsevich, president, Dolores Nedved, 1st vice-president, Jean Mrkacek, 2nd vice-president, Sandra munch, secretary, Maryann Zima, treasurer, and Jean Faulk, historian. The officers were inducted at the annual Christmas party held at the Royalty West banquets by our village mayor, Alan Nowaczyk.

The plans for New Years Eve were changed with 40 members going to Nikos' restaurant in Bridgeview for a lovely time. Several members were chosen to enhance the program by the entertainer, Vito Gatto. Their antics were enjoyed by all.



Since the last newsletter we have held several card tournaments. The winners of the Texas Hold 'em were 1st, Bill Woeslaw, 2nd, Gilbert Parent 3rd, Dolores Nedved. The blackjack tournament winners were 1st, Carol Smielgielski, 2nd, Betty Kostalnik, 3rd, Dolores Nedved. The asst. poker winners were 1st, Mike Smiegielski, 2nd Gilbert Parent, 3rd, Dolores Nedved. The winners of the 5 card poker were 1st, Dolores Nedved, 2nd Gilbert Parent, 3rd, Bill Woeslaw. Congratulations to all the above. The next tournament will be "Liverpool Rummy" and members are urged to join in. The play is held every Monday morning from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Afterwards, regular card playing is held for 2 hours.

Plans are being made for the members to attend Drury Lane Theater in Oakbrook for the presentation of "Aida" on Thursday, March 24th. The cost including bus is \$33 for members and \$35 for guests. The plan is to stop at an area restaurant after the program (on your own).



In April, the group will travel to St. John, Indiana for a tour of "The Shrine of Christ's Passion." A stop will be made for lunch (on your own) at one of the local restaurants.

Anyone interested in attending either of these programs should call Dolores Nedved at 839-5696

For more information regarding any of the above or questions related to the Senior Club, please contact Maria Barsevich at 839-8717 or Dolores Nedved at 839-5696.

DO NOT READ! CONFIDENTIAL...

Time to spare? Talent being wasted? Need to get away?

We want you! We need Fun Energetic People to help with events. (Our motto is: "Grouches Stay on Your Couches.") Cars, Chili, Kids, Bikes, Concerts, Contests—we need YOU! The best part is: There's NO PAY! Yes, you read it right: there's no pay! You work to help other people. What a concept!

Have talent and not afraid to use it? Need to get out of the house? Junior high to adult, we don't discriminate. Fun guaranteed or your Money back!

Previously enlisted in Team Volunteer? Please re-up.

(Don't make us come looking for you). To apply call 708-467-3700 and ask for De.

Disclaimer: Only "Cool People" need to apply. We have on occasion, however, worked with volunteers who eventually became cool. This is not an expression of management; it's a cry for HELP!

P.S. (The fact that you are still reading says a lot!)



LYONS TOWNSHIP TAX APPEALS DEADLINE APPROACHES

The deadline for Lyons Township residents to challenge their property tax assessments is March 22. Appeals may be filed at the Assessor's Office, 5540 East Avenue, Countryside, (708) 485-2377, email: assessor@lyonsts.com

The Spirit of Willow Springs Shines for Resident

Shortly before Santa and his elves made their trek to deliver gifts, a group of individuals joined together to assist Jim Gross, a life-long Willow Springs resident. He was hospitalized after suffering a stroke in August 2010 and was unable to come home until shortly before Christmas. Mr. Gross is a well-known resident, always able to lend a hand to many generations of neighbors with a multitude of handyman projects. He is most known for his beautiful vegetables that he nurtured in his own garden.

While Mr. Gross was recuperating, a group of volunteers came together to make repairs to Mr. Gross's home. These volunteers included neighbors, friends and many individuals that did not know Mr. Gross personally. They not only contributed elbow grease, but donated equipment and materials.

Along with the volunteers, local businesses donated materials, cash and time. Highlighting this endeavor was D&B Heating and Cooling (Dan Koczor), Gemcom (Jim and Cindy McSweeney), Justice-Willow Springs Water Commission (Mayor Alan Nowaczyk), Ruiz Landscaping, Spring Forest Deli (Mike and Mary Ellen Weeg), Tec Air (Jim and Pam Binkley), Willow Springs Family Restaurant (Jesus Correa). Along with the local businesses, this project also had donations from Ozinga Concrete, Osman Construction, and Menards.

Mr. Gross came home to a new concrete side walk and gravel parking pad, which made walking up to his newly reconstructed front porch an easier journey. Once inside, he saw that his home had a completely refurbished main living area including new carpeting. The kitchen contained a new stove, refrigerator, and microwave and refinished cabinets. The project also included a remodeled bathroom and a laundry area with a new washer and dryer.

This neighborly gesture rivals many stories that are aired on many nationally broadcasted shows. This surely shows that the Village of Willow Springs and its' residents is a prime example of community togetherness! Mr. Gross was overwhelmed by the generosity that beautified his home, so in turn he hosted an open house with treats to show his appreciation to the volunteers for all of their hard work.

The following individuals are to be commended for their time and hard work to make this truly a community effort: Mitch Atkinson, Emily Billik, Mark Campbell, Bill Cheeks, Chuck and Joreene Cialoni, Richard Cosson, Joe and Tina Cummings, Wayne and Carolyn Holler, Cathy LaPorte, Kevin Maloney, John Mezera, John Nestor, Bill Nicholl, Marion Pruitt, Dave Rus, Keith Slouber, Jim Volski, and many more.



Parks Committee Prepares for Spring Events

The Willow Springs Parks Committee (WSPC) has a lot going on in the next few months!

On Saturday, March 26, 2011, we will be having our Pancake Breakfast in the Community/Senior Center at 8156 Archer Avenue. From 8 a. m. until noon it's **"ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES."** Also served will be sausage, orange juice, coffee, tea and milk. Donation is \$6; children ages 6 and younger are FREE!

Our annual **EASTER EGG HUNT** will be on April 9 at the Community/Senior Center. Check in is at 10 a.m. The Easter Bunny is hops in at 10:30 a.m.! **YOU MUST PRE REGISTER** by April 1, 2011 by calling the Village Hall at 708-467-3700. Ages are infant on up to eighth grade.

SOCCER TIME....April 30 is the first day of soccer!

Pre-K and Kindergarten: 9 - 10 a.m. 1st and 2nd grade run from 10:15 until 11:15 am.

This 5-week program focuses on fun and development. Experienced Lyons Township Soccer Club professional coaches know how to create a fun environment and develop a love of soccer. Each week players will learn fundamental soccer skills such as dribbling, passing and shooting.

Dress: Shorts & Tee Shirt, Shin Guards, Water Bottle, Soccer Ball (if you have) Cost is \$55.00 for 5 weeks (April 30 through May 28th.)

Registration forms are in the Willow Springs School Newsletter and the Village Hall.

These are some of the activities we have completed, with new ones in the planning stages. Our open meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 5:30 at the Village Hall.

Irene Haugen-Chair
Willow Springs Parks Committee

It's Time for Coffee & Conversation

You Are Cordially
Invited to Enjoy

Coffee with the Mayor

Saturday May 7
at the
Village Hall

Stop in for Coffee
Stay for Conversation

Please join Mayor Alan Nowaczyk

for another in a Series of Informal

Questions, Answers and Comments

from your

Willow Springs

Neighbors from

9 a.m. until Noon



2011-2012 Vehicle Stickers on Sale April 1!



To receive your sticker by mail:

- Send a self addressed stamped envelope
- Include check (check with signature)
- Include mailed notice from the Village
- You will receive your sticker within 10 days
- Request must be mailed by June 15 in order to receive in time

Your current sticker will expire June 30, 2011.

First-time stickers must be purchased in person at:

The Village Hall
One Village Circle, Willow Springs
(708) 467-3700

Village Hall Hours: Mon. thru Fri. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*2nd and 4th Thursdays 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The Willow Springs Historical Society

**Would Like to Wish Jack Wilson
A Very Happy 100th Birthday!**

On June 5, 2011 we will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corp statute (The Worker) with a re-dedication at 2 p.m. at the site of the statute. (Willow Springs Road & Archer Avenue)

We have retained the same Franklin Delano Roosevelt impersonator for this celebration that we had ten years ago.

After the re-dedication, the public will be invited to attend a fellowship at the Community Center, 8156 S. Archer. Coffee and cake will be served.

Irene Haugen - Secretary/Publicity
Willow Springs Historical Society



OUT FROM UNDER THE HOOD

Willow Springs resident Scott Barrett is the owner of B&H Auto Center in Brookfield and a proud sponsor of the Willow Springs Regional Chili Cook-Off.

B&H Auto has been in business for 22 years at 9400 Odgen Avenue and specializes in auto and light truck repair. A mechanic since age 16, Scott specializes in electronics. He offers pick up service for customers who live in Willow Springs.

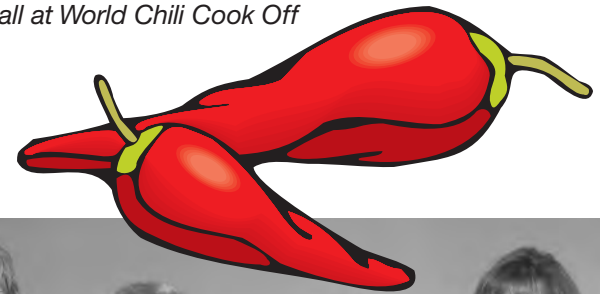
A veteran competitor at International Chili Society sanctioned Cook Offs, Scott is the chief score keeper for the annual Willow Springs Cook-Off which continues this year on Saturday, May 28.



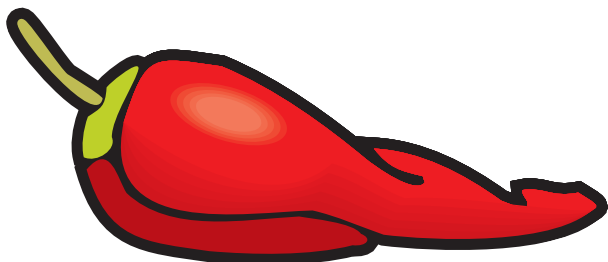
Scott Barrett (right) and Bob Hall at World Chili Cook Off



Mayor Alan Nowaczyk presents Clerk Adena Baskovich with a certificate as a token of the Village's appreciation of her more than 25 years of dedicated service to the residents of the Village.



2010 Chili Cook Off Committee Members Lori Smuda, Maureen Barrett and Annette Kaptur, present a check to Parks Committee Chair Irene Haugen (second from left). The 2nd Annual Chili Cook Off is slated for May 28 in the Village Center and promises a full day of fun and entertainment. This year's Chili Cook Off benefits the Local Food Pantry.



2010 CHILI COOK OFF!

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TAUGHT BY PROFESSIONAL SOCCER INSTRUCTORS FROM LYONS TOWNSHIP SOCCER CLUB

Every Saturday for 5 weeks

Grade	Start Date	Time	Cost
Pre K-K	April 30th	9-10am	\$55
1st-2nd	April 30th	10-11am	\$55

Located at Lions Park in Willow Springs.
Please bring appropriate *soccer clothing, shin guards, Water bottle and Soccer Ball.*

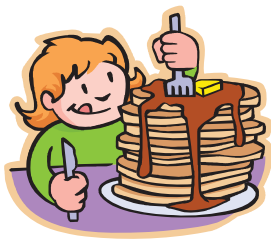
**Please send completed form
& Check (made out to
WSPC) to:**

Willow Springs Park Committee
One Village Circle
Willow Springs, IL 60480

**For any questions please contact
Gavin McCrindle at 708-354-4008**

Name _____ Phone Number _____
Gender _____ Date of Birth _____ E-mail _____
Emergency Contact _____ Emergency Contact Phone _____
Doctors Name _____ Doctors Number _____
Allergies _____ Group Selected(Pre K-K or 1st-2nd) _____

I do hereby fully release and discharge the Willow Springs Parks Committee & the Village of Willow Springs, it officials, officers, agents, servants and employees from any and all claims from injuries, damage or loss, which I may have or which may occur to me as a result of my participation or attendance in any of the Willow Springs Parks Committee & the Village of Willow Springs programs, activities and/or events. *Parent/Guardian Signature* _____



“Pancake Day” Rises to the Occasion Please Support Your Park Events!

On Saturday, **March 26**, the Park Committee will host its Pancake Breakfast at the Community/Senior Center, 8156 Archer Ave. from 8 a.m. until noon: "ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES". Also serving sausage, orange juice, coffee, tea and milk. Donation is \$6 and children 6 yrs & under - FREE!



Upcoming Spring 2011 Events

Spring Bake Sale	Sunday, March 27 – 9:45 am
Spring Salad Luncheon	Wednesday, May 27 – 11:00 am
Vacation Bible School	June 13 – 17, 9am – 12 pm

Ongoing Opportunities

Super Sundays – 10am Joint Worship & Potluck Lunch – May 29
- 5th Sunday of the Month

Willow Springs Area Food Pantry Distribution
- 3rd Monday of every month

2011 Lent/Holy Week Schedule

Lenten Midweek Services ... 7 pm

Ash Wednesday March 9th

*Lenten Services March 16th,
23rd, 30th, and April 6th and 13th
(*preceded by 6pm Lenten Suppers)

Holy Week Services ...

Maundy Thursday April 21st – 7 pm

Good Friday April 22nd

Tre Ore Service – 12-3 pm

Tenebrae Vespers – 7 pm

Easter Sunday April 24th
– 7 am and 10 am

Easter Brunch
between
services.



Grace
Evangelical Lutheran Church-LCMS

The Rev. William J. Orr, Pastor

Nolton and Cedar streets - (708) 839-5255

Regular Sunday Worship 8:30am and 11:00 am with Sunday School for Children and Adults at 9:45 am

Visit us at [Facebook.com/Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church](https://www.facebook.com/GraceEvangelicalLutheranChurch), Willow Springs, IL



Annual Egg Hunt
Sat. April 9th 10:00 check in
At: Community Center
8156 Archer Ave.
10:30 a.m. sharp events begin
Must pre-register at:
708 467-3700 by April 1, 2011
Infant to 8th grade
Presented by:
Willow Springs Park Committee
W.S.P.C.



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Village Wide Garage Sales

June 11 & 12
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**The Village will host
its "Annual Village
Wide Garage Sales"**

**THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO DOWN SCALE AND BRING HOME THE CASH.
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**Go Green and Receive
Green!! \$\$\$**

**GOT STUFF!
CLEAN IT UP, TAG IT AND
BAG IT! SOLD**



PUBLIC WORKS NEWS

THOU SHALL NOT MIX YARD WASTE WITH BRANCHES!

In May branch pick up will begin. Public Works will pass by branches that have yard waste mixed in. Branches must be placed on your easement (not in the street) with the trunk portion facing towards the street and neatly stacked. Whole trees, or parts of whole trees, cut down will not be picked up by the Village. Branch pickup is limited to basic pruning and maintenance of trees.



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**INCORRECT
(Avoid
fines)**

Let's Clean Willow Day!

Saturday, April 30th the Public Works Dept. will host its Annual Clean Up Willow Day. Gloves, bags and pickup sticks will be handed out to volunteers. Location of clean up areas will be noted. Certificates of Community Service will be distributed at Noon. Help clean your neighborhood areas and bring friends! Work, lunch and camaraderie. Call: (708)-467-3700 for info.

When: Saturday April 30th
Gather: 8261 Archer Ave.
Time: 9 a.m. to Noon
Lunch: Noon



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

ACCEPTED ITEMS:

- Televisions
 - CRT Monitors
 - LCD Monitors
 - Computers
 - Laptops
 - Printers
 - Fax Machines
 - Copiers
 - VCR's
 - Keyboards & Mice
 - DVD Players
 - Microwaves
 - Stereos
 - Speakers
 - Miscellaneous Cables
 - Computer Parts
 - Telephones
 - Cell Phones
 - Game Counsels
 - Handheld devices
(Ipods, CD players, etc.)
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NOT ACCEPTED:

- Typewriters
- Terminals
- Toaster Ovens
- Hair Dryers
- Curling Irons
- Cash Registers
- UPS Batteries
- Refrigerators
- Stoves
- Dishwashers
- Dryers
- Electronic Tools
- Washing machines



Drop Off:

Willow Springs Fire Department 8259 S. Willow Springs Road Daily Hours: 8 am - 8 pm

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Sunday Brunch

First Serving From 10:00 AM ... Last Serving at 1:00 PM

Friday Fish and Chicken Fry Buffet

First Friday Evening Serving From 6:00 PM ... Last Serving at 9:00 PM

Cost for either Sunday Brunch or Bonnie's Friday Fish and Chicken Fry Buffet ...

Adults ... \$14.95 / Children 6 and under ... \$7.45 / Children 3 and under ... NC
Cash Bar & Beverages not included ... Prices do not include tax ... Gratuity by guest's discretion.
Menu, Prices, Hours and Policies are subject to change without notice.

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Office Hours:

Monday through Friday:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.*

*Every 2nd and 4th Thursday:

11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Village Committee/Board Meetings:

2nd and 4th Thursday of each month,

at 7 p.m.

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Willow Springs Occupant
Willow Springs, IL 60480**

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Stop Killing Trees!

Keep the Willow in Willow Springs

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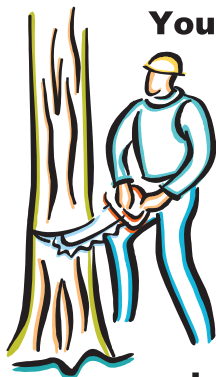
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2) In the subject line type: Blast

3) Hit send.



Your info will be entered into our address list. The Village will send out info to you via email. No more paper! You will receive the newsletter and important updates right to your email. View your newsletter (and photos) in full color!

Don't be left out! Participation is optional but our Clerk says, "All the cool people are doing it!" Go GREEN for Willow Springs! P.S. Don't forget to bring your old electronics to the Fire Department Recycling Bin.